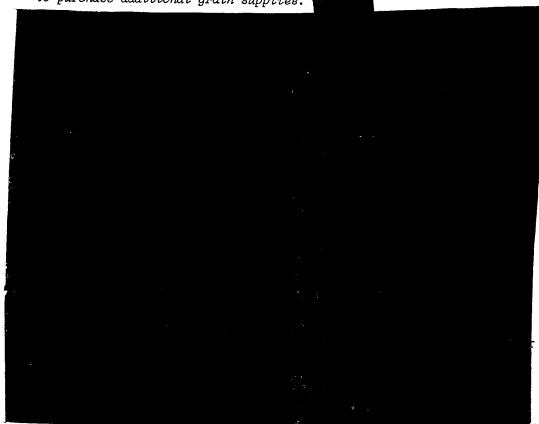
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ing the Polish party. Warsaw has indicated that it is attempting to purchase additional grain supplies.



Moscow Admonishes Polish Party

Pravda yesterday noted that although martial law has restored order and created conditions for "a normal working life" it leaves unresolved certain basic problems

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whose solution will depend upon "decisiveness and consistency" within the Polish party. The article cites comments by Polish workers that the party in the past was unable to cope with the political challenge posed by Solidarity, and it calls on the party to consolidate on the basis of "Marxism-Leninism" and reestablish ties with the working class.

Comment: Pravda recently has made several allusions to the continuing problems within the Polish party. The repetition of this theme appears designed to remind Polish leaders of the importance Moscow attaches to revitalizing the party. Although the reference to "Marxism-Leninism" probably is intended as a sign of support for hardliners, the allusion to the challenge posed by Solidarity appears to represent an acknowledgment that the party also must recognize the need for popular support.

Grain Purchases

A government spokesman revealed this week that Poland is attempting to purchase 3.5 million tons of grain and concentrated fodder from the West to fulfill its need this year for 6.5 million tons of imported grain. Before martial law the Poles had contracted for 3 million tons of grain and soymeal from Canada, France, and possibly West Germany and Brazil.

Comment: Poland now may have difficulty meeting its grain requirements because of restrictions imposed by the US and the EC, traditionally its main suppliers.

